

North Somercotes Parish Council
Minutes of the monthly meeting of North Somercotes Parish Council held on
Monday 25th June 2018 At 7.00 pm in the Luke Walmsley Pavilion

There were 6 members of the public present, and the Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and started the public session at 7.02 pm

Public Session

- a. **Any Policing Update** – none available, due next month.
- b. **Comments from members of the Public on agenda items or issues for consideration for future agenda**
 - i. **Donna Nook** - Members of the public referred to issues at the Realignment Site, including the legality of the proposed breach at Pye's Hall, problems with vermin and unauthorised vehicles as well as their concerns over the low point in the sea defence bank at the pullover, which the Council responded to, noting the Public Inquiry was being held on 26 and 27 June into the proposed breach and diversion of the public footpath. It was confirmed that a one-way system was proposed for peak weekends over the forthcoming seal-season, which would be formally managed by Traffic Management personnel with official powers, and a press release would be issued on this and other proposals shortly.
 - ii. **Planning Application for land on Conisholme Rd (see agenda item 8b)** – members of the public commented on their outline application for houses on Conisholme Rd and noted the letters of support which they had for the development which would be sent to ELDC in order to get the application called in to committee. The Clerk read out comments objecting to the proposed development which had been sent to the council by email and circulated to Councillors and the Chairman noted that the application would be considered later in the meeting.
 - iii. A member of the public asked a question about replacing the roof on one of his outbuildings, which he had taken off owing to safety concerns. He was advised to contact Building Control at East Lindsey District Council who would be able to inform him of any planning or building regulation requirements.

The Chairman thanked members of the public for attending, closed the public session and opened the formal meeting.

Monthly Meeting

25/6/18-1 a. Present – Cllr Stephen Brooks (Chairman), Cllr Neil Drewery (Vice Chairman), Cllr Stuart Arundel, Cllr Zoe Dowson, Cllr Marti Hopper, Cllr John Kennedy, Cllr Daniel McNally, Cllr Trisha Newman, Cllr Roger Maidens, Cllr Paul Walmsley, and Mrs Sheila Pearce - Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

b. Apologies for Absence – it was RESOLVED to accept Cllr Ros Webster's absence and reason for it.

25/6/18-2 Declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest on any item on the agenda in accordance with the Localism Act and the Council's Code of Conduct and Standing Orders.

Cllrs Dowson and Walmsley declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to item 8b and Cllr McNally declared a non-pecuniary interest in all planning matters, at 7.18pm.

25/6/18-3 Minutes of 21 May 2018 AGM and Monthly Meeting – it was RESOLVED to adopt and sign the notes as accurate minutes.

25/6/18-4 Clerk's Report on matters outstanding – the Clerk updated on the following for information only:

- a. Data Protection training completed
- b. Public enquiry for FP18 – objectors meeting and preparation of evidence completed
- c. Footpath Claims – research of legal position and historic documents underway
- d. Coastal Path – meeting with MP and preparation of historic evidence done
- e. Seal Season Meeting notes – outstanding
- f. letter to housing minister on Chapel Field/Local Plan issues – outstanding
- g. Annual Parish Meeting notes – draft done and emailed
- h. Flood forum position – awaiting update on position from MP
- i. War Memorial grant application – Leakes visiting to provide quote
- j. emergency planning – outstanding.

25/6/18-5 Cemetery – the Agenda for the Annual Cemetery Meeting on 30th June at 10.30 am was confirmed.

25/6/18-6 To receive reports from councillors who are representatives on Village Organisations/Committees

- a. Playing Fields Association - Cllr Dowson – around 230 people attended with c£2k raised at the recent event.
- b. Police Panel/Speedwatch – Cllr Newman – new Assistant Chief Constable appointed – Kerrin Wilson, Community speedwatch sessions taking place next week and new County wide Speedwatch system to be implemented shortly.

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Training had been undertaken in the changes to Remembrance Parade traffic management arrangements that will be needed from this year onwards and these were explained and noted. Clerk to check public events insurance position.

- c. Emergency/Flood Planning – Cllr Newman- no report
- d. Village Hall Committee – no report
- e. DTE Wildlife Group – Cllr Newman/Clerk – no report

25/6/18-7 ELDC Local Plan – it was noted that the Inspector has stated the housing allocated in other areas with the same flood risk should be removed from the plan, regardless of whether they are classed as ‘coastal’ or inland in order to be consistent. The Parish Council still believe that the number of houses required for the community to remain sustainable should be determined first and then other factors such as flood risk should be taken into account. If North Somercotes had been treated the same as other communities, over 140 houses would be required over the lifetime of the plan, whereas the amount of extant permissions that might get built is under 50.

Cllr McNally left the meeting prior to the next item.

25/6/18-8 Planning - To consider any Planning applications received and resolve the way forward on these and other Planning matters

- a. N/132/01042/18** - Change of use, conversion of and alterations to existing residential annexe to provide 1no. holiday cottage. HORSESHOE COTTAGE, COMMON LANE. Following discussion, it was RESOLVED to support this application. *Cllr Dowson and Walmsley left the meeting prior to the next item.*
- b. N/132/01041/18** - Outline erection of 5no. dwellings and associated garages. LAND OPPOSITE PIGEON COTTAGE, CONISHOLME ROAD. Objections to the application were noted, albeit some of the comments were not material planning matters. Following discussion, it was RESOLVED to support the application, noting that despite the emerging Local Plan it was in keeping with the long-held strategy of the parish council for supporting appropriate sustainable development; having easy access to the new Co-op and other village facilities, in an area with footpath and lighting columns, with observations about the type/style of housing relative to perceived community need and entrance. The number of letters of support were being checked with regard to calling the application in to be heard by committee. *Cllr Dowson and Walmsley rejoined the meeting at this point.*
- c. Any other urgent planning matters/applications** – none
Cllr McNally rejoined the meeting at this point.

25/6/18-9 Highways, Paths and Lighting – to discuss/resolve the way forward on relevant Highways issues

- a. verbal update on problem log – no new items
- b. FP18 – Public Inquiry into the proposed Order for the Stopping up/Diversion of FP18**
Following discussion regarding attendance, it was RESOLVED that the Clerk, as Proper Officer, be formally designated to speak on behalf of the Parish Council and give evidence at the Public Inquiry in support of its continuing objection to the proposed Order for the Stopping up and Diversion of FP18.
- c. Seal Season traffic management arrangements** – the draft notes from last meeting will be available shortly.
- d. Coastal Path** – Clerk attended meeting with Mrs Victoria Atkins MP and has provided Parish Council input on the historical background of usage, which has also been circulated to councillors by email.
- e. Problems at Stonebridge with vehicle damage to sea defences and**
- f. overnight stayers and antisocial behaviour** – councillors discussed Environment Agency proposals to shut the gate dusk to dawn and/or deploy height barrier. It was not clear who would be expected to organise and/or pay for the gate to be opened and shut each day, plus there was concern of the potential negative impact on tourism if the height barrier was deployed, instead leaving camper type vehicles as well as others simply parking on the approach road and roundabout. It was noted that there did not appear to be any signs referring to overnight camping or parking being prohibited.
- g. Marsh Lane/Donna Nook signage** - update on problems and proposed resolution - Cllr McNally has raised the issue with Linc County Council Highways and is awaiting a response. A sign pointing down Marsh Lane to the car park at Stonebridge is required to prevent people following the RAF signs to Donna Nook and then not being able to locate the car park.
- h. Any other urgent highways issues** – a member of the public had reported to the Clerk that the road which goes to Millfields at the end of School Lane is collapsing into the dyke. Cllr McNally has checked, and as it is highways maintainable it will be scheduled for repair.

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25/6/18-10 Parish Council Donations 2018/19 - To confirm action taken after the last meeting and update on the S106 available monies and RESOLVE the way forward as may be required. The Clerk confirmed that an application from Oasis Lakes for an alternative item had been received and this would be placed on the Agenda for July to be considered alongside any other requests as noted at the last meeting.

25/6/18-11 Finance

- a) the bank reconciliation for June 2018 was received and noted and signed by the Chairman.
- b) It was RESOLVED to accept the received schedule of payments and receipts for June 2018, and the payments were checked and signed accordingly.
- c) It was RESOLVED to accept the Clerk's proposed amendment to Cemetery fees from 1 June 2018 to correct a typographic error. The Clerk noted that one recent reservation had been processed at the incorrect rate, as the cheque had already been received and banked.
- d) to deal with any urgent other Financial matters – none.

25/6/18-12 Meeting dates for 2019 - the proposed dates for 2019 were carried forward to the next meeting.

25/6/18-13 General Correspondence for June, Website Updates and Communication – these were noted.

25/6/18-14 To note/agree items for Discussion or inclusion at next meeting - Monday 23 July 2018 at 7pm

* FP18 Public Enquiry – status/outcome * Proposals for Investment of reserves

*s106 Monies – grant applications * 2019 Meeting dates

Sheila Pearce

Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.40 pm